

# **Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago**

100 East Erie Street  
Chicago, IL 60611



## **Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, March 5, 2009**

**10:00 AM**

**Board Room**

### **Board of Commissioners**

*Commissioner Frank Avila, Commissioner Patricia Horton, Chairman of Finance  
Gloria Alitto Majewski, Commissioner Barbara J. McGowan, Vice-President Kathleen  
Therese Meany, Commissioner Cynthia M. Santos, Commissioner Debra Shore,  
President Terrence J. O'Brien*

#### **THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL GOVERN THE MEETING PROCESS:**

- 1. Board Members who vote "Nay, Present, or Abstain" or have a question on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.**
- 2. Citizens in the audience who address the Board on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.**
- 3. Items removed from the Consent Agenda are considered separately.**
- 4. One roll call vote is taken to cover all Consent Agenda Items.**

## Call Meeting to Order

President O' Brien presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

## Roll Call

**Present:** 8 - Frank Avila; Patricia Horton; Gloria Alitto Majewski; Kathleen Therese Meany; Barbara J. McGowan; Cynthia M. Santos; Debra Shore; and Terrence J. O'Brien

## Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Gloria Alitto Majewski, seconded by Frank Avila, that the minutes from the last meeting be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

## Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 12:35 a.m. President O'Brien reconvened the regular board meeting to order

## Finance Committee

### Report

- 1     [09-0330](#)     Report on the investment interest income during January 2009

Published and Filed

### Authorization

- 2     [09-0288](#)     Authority to amend the Board Order of March 20, 2008, for Authority to transfer 2008 departmental appropriations in the amount of \$167,500.00 in the Corporate and Stormwater Management Funds, Agenda Item No. 4, File No. 08-1270

Approved

## Purchasing Committee

### Report

- 3     [09-0332](#)     Report of bid opening of Tuesday, February 24, 2009

Published and Filed

### Authorization

- 4      [09-0341](#)      Authorization to exercise an option to extend agreement for a one-year period with Accelerated Rehabilitation for Contract 07-RFP-04 for On-Site Physical Therapy, Account 901-30000-601090

**Deferred by Barbara J. McGowan**

- 5      [09-0351](#)      Authorization for payment to Applied Technology Publications, Inc. for Registration Fees for Sixteen Employees in the Maintenance and Operations Department to Attend the Maintenance and Reliability Technology Summit, in an amount not to exceed \$18,265.50, Accounts 101-67000/68000/69000-601100

**Approved**

- 6      [09-0352](#)      Authorization to amend Board Order of October 16, 2008 for issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Networkcar, Inc. for maintenance of the vehicle location system for District vehicles, in an amount not to exceed \$134,000.00, Agenda Item No. 19, File No. 08-2133

**Approved**

- 7      [09-0358](#)      Authorization to amend Board Order of September 18, 2008, for Authority to Advertise Contract 09-440-11 Hazardous Materials Cleanup and Emergency Response, estimated cost \$150,000.00, Agenda Item No. 14, File No. 08-1950

**Approved**

**Authority to Advertise**

- 8      [09-0286](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 09-766-11 Services to Install Epoxy Flooring at the Egan Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$90,000.00, Account 101-67000-612680, Requisition 1267461

**Approved**

- 9      [09-0289](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 09-908-11 Furnish and Deliver a Portable Generator to the Stickney Service Area, estimated cost \$145,000.00, Account 101-69000-634650, Requisition 1255653

**Approved**

- 10     [09-0316](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 09-806-11 Furnish and Deliver a Milling Machine to the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$100,000.00, Account 101-68000-634650, Requisition 1267382

**Approved**

- 11     [09-0324](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 09-764-11 Pavement Repairs in the North Service Area, estimated cost \$75,000.00, Account 101-67000-612420, Requisition 1263282

**Approved**

- 12      [09-0329](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 09-827-11 Replacement of Low Level and Return Sludge Pump Variable Frequency Drives at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$600,000.00, Account 201-50000-612600, Requisitions 1265221 and 1265227

**Approved**

- 13      [09-0333](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 09-603-11 Furnish and Deliver Bulk, Roadway Rock Salt to Various Service Areas, estimated cost \$298,000.00, Accounts 101-67000/68000/69000-623130, Requisitions 1268188, 1252939, 1254214, 1255661 and 1265984

**Approved**

- 14      [09-0334](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 09-905-11 Furnish and Deliver One Diesel-Powered Water Jetter with Trailer to the Stickney Service Area, estimated cost \$44,000.00, Account 101-69000-634860, Requisition 12681181

**Approved**

- 15      [09-0337](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 09-657-11 Television Inspection and Videotaping of Sewers and Manholes at Various Service Areas, estimated cost \$1,162,000.00, Accounts 101-67000/68000/69000-612600, Requisitions 1256321, 1257462 and 1255705

**Approved**

- 16      [09-0338](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 09-831-11 Furnish, Deliver and Install Screw Pump Gearboxes at SEPA Stations No. 3 and 4, estimated cost \$475,000.00, Account 101-68000-612650, Requisition 1258275

**Approved**

- 17      [09-0339](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 09-936-11 Rebabbiting Pump Bearings at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$22,000.00, Account 101-69000-612600, Requisition 1266701

**Approved**

#### **Issue Purchase Order**

- 18      [09-0301](#)      Issue purchase order to Siemens Energy and Automation, Inc., to Furnish and Deliver Replacement Parts for Robicon Drives, in an amount not to exceed \$110,000.00, Accounts 101-68000-623070, 634600, Requisition 1264020

**Approved**

- 19      [09-0304](#)      Issue purchase order for Contract 09-104-11 Furnish and Deliver a Maintenance Service Contract for Laboratory Balances and YSI Meters for the Monitoring and Research Department at Various Locations, to John F. Starmann Co., d/b/a C & M Scale Co., in an amount not to exceed \$15,665.00, Account 101-16000-612970, Requisition 1256389  
**Approved**
- 20      [09-0305](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Siemens Water Technologies Corporation, to Furnish and Deliver Bioxide to the Kirie Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$210,000.00, Account 101-67000-623560, Requisition 1262514  
**Approved**
- 21      [09-0306](#)      Issue purchase orders and enter into an agreement with Alfa Laval, Inc., to Furnish and Deliver a Conveyor Assembly for an Alfa Laval DS-706 Centrifuge and to Provide Services and Parts for Alfa Laval Centrifuges at Various Locations, in an amount not to exceed \$7,553,750.00, Accounts 101-67000, 68000, 69000-612650, 623270, Requisitions 1258141, 1258157, 1259782, 1259831, 1262572, 1263247, 1263258, 1263296  
**Approved**
- 22      [09-0313](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Antel Corporation, for Maintenance and Repair Services for Endress and Hauser Instrumentation at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.00, Account 101-69000-612650, Requisition 1263295  
**Approved**
- 23      [09-0321](#)      Issue purchase order to Flow-Technics, Inc., to Furnish and Deliver ITT Flygt (formerly A-C Pump) Parts to the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.00, Account 101-68000-623270, Requisitions 1258894, 1261911  
**Approved**
- 24      [09-0326](#)      Issue purchase orders and enter into an agreement with LAI, LTD., to Furnish and Deliver Replacement Parts for Wemco and Worthington Pumps at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, MSA Gas Detection System at the Kirie Water Reclamation Plant, and Replacement Parts and Services for Rotork Electric Actuators at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$118,500.00, Accounts 101-67000, 68000-612650, 623070, 623270, and 623780 Requisitions 1254251, 1254282, 1261841 and 1258262  
**Approved**

- 25      [09-0331](#)      Issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with Superior Industrial Equipment, L.L.C., to Provide Services and Parts for Durametallic Seals at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00, Account 101-68000-612650, Requisition 1261192  
**Approved**
- 26      [09-0342](#)      Issue purchase order to Bloomberg Finance L.P. for the ongoing Maintenance and Provision of a Real-Time Financial Information Network, Providing News, Data, Analysis, Straight-Through Processing, and Electronic Trading Tools, in an amount not to exceed \$64,000.00 for a two-year period, Account 101-11000-612280, Requisition 1268149  
**Approved**
- 27      [09-0343](#)      Issue purchase orders and enter into agreements for Contract 09-RFP-02, Multi-Project Training Services: Group A and Group B with Writing at Work, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$17,500.00; Group C and Group F with Organizational Resources in an amount not to exceed \$22,200.00; Group D with Management Resource Services, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$21,300.00; and Group E with the Bronner Group, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$18,000.00, Accounts 101-25000-601100 and 101-25000-601170, Requisitions 1269373, 1269377, and 1269378, and 1269376  
**Approved**
- 28      [09-0347](#)      Issue purchase orders and enter into an agreement with DTN, Inc., d/b/a DTN Meteorlogix, to Provide Weather Radar Transmission Services at Various Locations, in an amount not to exceed \$11,820.00, Accounts 101-66000, 67000, 68000, 69000-601170, 612330, 612490, Requisitions 1249373, 1258143, 1259022 and 1261130  
**Approved**
- 29      [09-0348](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with J.D. Wilson Associates, Inc., to Furnish and Deliver One Vaughan Chopper Pump with Parts; to Rebuild Existing Vaughan Chopper pumps and to Provide Services on an as needed basis at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$41,150.00, Accounts 101-68000-612650, 623270, Requisition 1265231  
**Approved**
- 30      [09-0357](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Carrier Corporation, for the Disassembly, Internal Inspection and Reassembly of Carrier Chiller No. 2 in the McMillan Pavilion, in an amount not to exceed \$26,728.00, Account 101-15000-612680, Requisition 1261867  
**Approved**

**Award Contract**

- 31      [09-0309](#)      Authority to award Contract 09-028-12 (Re-Bid), Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Laboratory Supplies to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Group B, to Fisher Scientific Company, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$12,655.68, Account 101-20000-623570  
**Approved**
- 32      [09-0312](#)      Authority to award Contract 08-768-12, Furnish, Deliver, and Install Thermal Windows at the Egan Water Reclamation Plant, to Auburn Corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$179,845.00, Account 101-67000-612680, Requisition 1239047  
**Approved**
- 33      [09-0340](#)      Authority to award Contract 09-941-11, Services of Operating Engineers at the Racine Avenue Pumping Station and Other District Facilities, to Anchor Mechanical, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$388,800.00, Accounts 101-67000, 69000-612650, 612600, Requisitions 1258270 and 1258132  
**Deleted by the Executive Director**

**Increase Purchase Order/Change Order**

- 34      [09-0290](#)      Authority to decrease purchase order and amend the agreement with Central Scale and Supply Company, a Corporation, for service to maintain the Cardinal Truck Weighing Scale System at LASMA and the Stickney and the Calumet Water Reclamation Plants in an amount of \$12,516.00, from an amount of \$28,374.43, to an amount not to exceed \$15,858.43, Accounts 101-66000/69000-612650, 612680, Purchase Orders 3049110 and 3049111  
**Approved**
- 35      [09-0291](#)      Authority to decrease Contract 07-945-11 Furnishing Clamshell Cranes, Slackline Cableway Systems and a Dredge Loading System with Crews at LASMA (Group A), to Stahu Equipment, Inc., in an amount of \$96,949.68, from an amount of \$362,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$265,050.32, Account 101-69000-612520, Purchase Order 5000701  
**Approved**
- 36      [09-0292](#)      Authority to decrease purchase order and amend the agreement with Gas & Air Systems, Inc., for services and parts for Howden gas compressors at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant in an amount of \$30,000.00, from an amount of \$30,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$0.00, Account 101-69000-612650, Purchase Order 3045982  
**Approved**

- 37      [09-0293](#)      Authority to decrease purchase order and amend the agreement with Siemens Energy & Automation, Inc., for providing preventive maintenance services for the TARP raw sewage pump variable frequency Robicon drives at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount of \$35,094.78, from an amount of \$109,500.00, to an amount not to exceed \$74,405.22, Account 101-68000-612600, Purchase Order 3047336
- Approved**
- 38      [09-0294](#)      Authority to decrease Contract 08-656-11, Services to Inspect and Maintain TARP Electrical Control Chambers and Tide Gate Monitoring Systems at Various Locations, to Divane Bros. Electric Co., in an amount of \$45,200.00, from an amount of \$898,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$852,800.00, Accounts 101-67000/68000/69000-612600, Purchase Orders 5000933, 5000934, 5000935, 5000936
- Approved**
- 39      [09-0295](#)      Authority to increase Contract 91-177-AE Computer and Instrumentation Control Room at Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to Divane Brothers Electric Company, in an amount of \$58,683.00, from an amount of \$41,290,768.26 to an amount not to exceed \$41,349,451.26, Account 401-50000-645650, Purchase Order 5000594
- Approved**
- 40      [09-0296](#)      Authority to increase Contract 03-RFP-03 (73-161-CH) McCook Reservoir Overburden Removal Lawndale Avenue Solids Management Area, to Walsh Construction Company of Illinois, in the amount of \$1,447,378.32, from an amount of \$63,918,749.17, to an amount not to exceed \$65,366,127.49, Account 401-50000-645620, Purchase Order 5000113
- Approved**
- 41      [09-0297](#)      Authority to increase Contract 07-854-3M, Emergency Elevator Improvements at Kirie and Hanover Park Water Reclamation Plants, to KONE Inc., in an amount of \$37,022.92, from an amount of \$3,685,663.35 to an amount not to exceed \$3,722,686.27, Accounts 101-50000-612680, 401-50000-645680, and 645780, Purchase Order 5000787
- Approved**
- 42      [09-0298](#)      Authority to increase Contract 03-296-3M Installation of Central Boiler Facility at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, to IHC Construction Companies, LLC, in an amount of \$144,647.89, from an amount of \$28,979,025.16 to an amount not to exceed \$29,123,673.05, Account 401-50000-645650, Purchase Order 5000458
- Approved**



- 43      [09-0299](#)      Authority to decrease Contract 08-650-11 Repairs to Sewer Structures in the North Service Area, to Seven-D Construction Company, in an amount of \$38,300.00, from an amount of \$347,750.00, to an amount not to exceed \$309,450.00, Account 101-67000-612600, Purchase Order 5000938  
**Approved**
- 44      [09-0315](#)      Authority to decrease purchase order and amend the agreement with AMCO Industries, d/b/a Compressor Engineering, Inc., to furnish and deliver technical services, parts and repairs for four Dresser-Roots rotary lobe blowers at the North Side Water Reclamation Plant in an amount of \$28,250.00, from an amount of \$45,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$16,750.00, Account 101-67000-612650, Purchase Order 3042805  
**Approved**
- 45      [09-0318](#)      Authority to increase Contract 08-685-12 Furnishing and Delivering Rain Barrels to Various Locations, to Steiner Electric Company, in an amount of \$108,200.00, from an amount of \$216,400.00, to an amount not to exceed \$324,600.00, Account 501-50000-623990, Purchase Order 3052092  
**Approved**
- 46      [09-0335](#)      Authority to decrease Contract 08-681-11 Window Washing Services at Various Locations, to Alliance Window Cleaning, Inc., in an amount of \$21,540.00, from an amount of \$79,850.00, to an amount not to exceed \$58,310.00, Account 101-69000-612490, Purchase Order 3049835  
**Approved**
- 47      [09-0336](#)      Authority to increase Contract 07-677-11 Overhead and Exterior Door Maintenance Services at Various Locations, to Builders Chicago Corporation, in an amount of \$18,000.00, from an amount of \$212,718.48, to an amount not to exceed \$230,718.48, Account 101-67000-612680, Purchase Order 5000714  
**Approved**
- 48      [09-0350](#)      Authority to decrease Contract 07-601-12, Furnishing and Delivering Crushed Stone, Sand and Gravel to Various Locations, to B&T Services of Monee, Inc., in an amount of \$51,831.64, from an amount of \$132,486.90, to an amount not to exceed \$80,655.26, Accounts 101-66000/68000/69000-623130, Purchase Orders 3045709, 3045710  
**Approved**
- 49      [09-0356](#)      Authority to decrease Contract 05-408-11 Provide Janitorial Services to the Main Office Building Complex for a Three-Year Period, to Smith Maintenance Company in an amount of \$19.70, from an amount of \$1,441,719.00 to an amount not to exceed \$1,441,699.30, Account 101-15000-612390 Purchase Order 5000456  
**Approved**

## Judiciary Committee

### Authorization

- 50      [09-0325](#)      Authority to Settle Performance Bond claim against Capitol Indemnity Corporation in the amount of \$16,000.00  
  
                         **Approved**

## Pension, Personnel Relations & Civil Service Committee

### Report

- 51      [09-0311](#)      2008 Annual Report for the Deferred Compensation Plan and Trust  
  
                         **Published and Filed**

### Authorization

- 52      [09-0287](#)      Authority to Adopt a Zero Tolerance Policy on Workplace Violence  
  
                         **Approved**

## Real Estate Development Committee

### Authorization

- 53      [09-0344](#)      Authority to issue a 1-year permit extension to Illinois Mining Corporation to mine, remove, and purchase channel excavation rock from approximately 41.22 acres of District real estate located south of the Cal-Sag Channel between Cicero and Kostner Avenues in Crestwood, Illinois, and known as Cal-Sag Channel Atlas Parcel 12.05, consideration shall be \$0.25 per ton of rock removed from the permit premises with the first \$360,000.00 applied as a credit to Illinois Mining to offset the cost of the removal of approximately 12,000 cubic yards of broken concrete previously dumped on the premises  
  
                         **Approved**
- 54      [09-0346](#)      Authority to issue a 90-day permit to Precision Pipeline LLC for access for repairing and restoring the southeast section of the District's O'Hare CUP Reservoir, consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00  
  
                         **Approved**

## Miscellaneous and New Business

### Motion

- 55      [09-0359](#)      MOTION to prepare a request for qualifications, for services of lobbyists in both Washington, D.C. and Springfield, Illinois  
**Deferred by Debra Shore**

**Ordinance**

- 56      [O09-002](#)      AN ORDINANCE authorizing the transfer of funds held in unlimited revenue fund 473 in the Capital Improvements Bond Fund of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago to limited revenue fund 474 for use in corporate purposes as identified in Section 9.6a. of the District's Enabling Act. (70 ILCS 2605/9.6a)  
**Deleted by the Executive Director**

**Additional Agenda Items**

- 57      [09-0361](#)      MEMORIAL RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners extending sympathy and condolences to the family of Earl Strayhorn  
**Adopted**
- 58      [09-0363](#)      Request to the Board of Commissioners to Ratify the Executive Director's Emergency Declaration to Dewater, Inspect, Repair and Otherwise Recommission the Mainstream Pumping Station, Contract 09-900-01, estimated cost is \$100,000.00, Account 901-30000-667220, Requisition 1270621  
**Approved**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 4, 33, 55 and 56**

**A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Gloria Alitto Majewski, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 8 - Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Kathleen Therese Meany, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Terrence J. O'Brien

**Meeting Summary**

**Speakers**

*George Blakemore, a private citizen, commended the Board on its consideration of an RFQ process. Also voiced concerns about no-bid contracts and inquired about Carmen Group's racial diversity. (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item 55)*

*Ed Guzdziol, President, Village of Worth, requested Board consideration regarding the Village's 49-year lease extension and reconsideration of rental costs.*

*George Blakemore, a private citizen, voiced concern for the summer job program and recommended minorities be recruited through college campus job fairs.*

**Summary of Requests**

*All Department Heads:*

*Gloria Alitto Majewski requested that board letters be proofread thoroughly before they are added to the agenda. (Re: Finance Item 2, Purchasing Item 6 and 7)*

*Frederick M. Feldman:*

*Barbara J. McGowan requested a list of vendors that bid on contract 07-RFP-04 and their proposed cost. (Re: Purchasing Item 4)*

*Barbara J. McGowan, Debra Shore, and Terrence J. O'Brien requested that a survey of other agencies that contract lobbyists be taken including but not limited to the selection process, cost and performance. (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item 55)*

*Joseph Sobanski:*

*Debra Shore requested a report regarding efforts to reduce infiltration and inflow.*

**Study Session**

*None*

**Announcements**

*Kathleen Therese Meany recognized March as Women's History Month.*

**Board Letter Submission Dates**

**The next regular board meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2009, please prepare and submit Board items before the following absolute cutoff dates.**

**Date agenda items are due to the Director of Procurement and Materials Management for signature and preparation: March 9, 2009**

**Date Board letters are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., March 12, 2009**

## Adjournment

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Gloria Alitto Majewski, that when the Board adjourns it adjourns to meet on Thursday, March 19, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. and that today's meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

/s/ Jacqueline Torres  
Clerk

**Aye:** 8 - Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Kathleen Therese Meany, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Terrence J. O'Brien

## APPROVAL:

In accordance with the provisions of 70ILCS 2605/4, each of the foregoing agenda items duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago this March 5, 2009, are hereby approved.

## APPROVED:

/s/ Terrence J. O'Brien

President Board of Commissioners of the  
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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